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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on 5/9/08 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

Claims 9, 15, 27, 35, and 38 has been included as elected claims but does not fully correspond to the elected species of Fig. 5. For example, claims 9, 15, 35, discloses placing and testing a coin in a coin acceptance and testing device, and a control unit including a microcomputer and a pseudorandom number generator; claim 27, discloses whereupon a supplemental game is activated upon a trigger value on the first and second entertainment automat, and a branch block "effective game number limit" (39, 71); and claim 38, discloses determining between a 1st and 2nd entertainment automat which will assume master and slave functions, and effectively limiting a number of game rounds being played; however, there are no corresponding figure elements in the elected species of Fig. 5 to the subject matter stated above regarding claims 9, 15, 27, 35, and 38.

Note: an exemplary example of the elected species of Fig. 5 seems to be newly added claim 104.

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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